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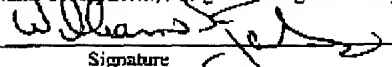
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This paper is in response to the Official Action mailed on May 21, 2003 in the  
above-identified application. A Substitute Power of Attorney in favor of the undersigned has  
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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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